

SHUTTLEWORTH TIMES

Inspiration through education![™]

"The little child is quite bent on causing effects and getting things admired."

- L. Ron Hubbard

LA's Metro(politan) System

Smog? What do you think produces more smog; a modern MTA city bus or an ordinary car?

The MTA repair facility is located downtown Los Angeles. We took the underground metro down to the facility to learn how our busses are serviced and repaired.

Every MTA bus is expected to be used for twelve years so it takes a lot to keep it running in excellent condition. As we toured the MTA facility we came across a bus that was being repaired for the third time! It had been crashed and rebuilt, then it was totally burned out and repaired. This time it was in for repairs.

If the part needed for the engine is no longer available from the manufacturer, they build a new one right there. They make fifty-three different parts on location. Sometimes they use a computer to design a special part and that design alone might take a couple of days.

We were able to see a wide variety of engines, from the ones they don't use anymore to the very latest models. With the new engines the exhaust gases burn at 1100°F. They burn so hot that the pollutants are being burned off, thereby creating less smog and cleaner streets for our city. Riding back to the school we had a greater appreciation for how the

busses work and who and what makes them work!

Holiday Show

Shuttleworth students surprised everyone this year with their many talents. Lacey & Johnny, assisted by Nick and Amaliea, wrote the entire script of *Robin Hood: A Christmas Story*. Sandra directed the play. All the props were built by students. Ty was in charge of costumes and was assisted by Dorothy and Amaliea.

This original play was 30 minutes of laughter. Robin Hood's Merry Men had the traditional Friar Tuck. Little John was a rapper while Snow White (G'vonna) was Robin's girlfriend. All seven dwarfs, rolled into one (Josh). Cruella (Amaliea) was the spoiled child of Lord DeVil (Lucas) who stole presents from the poor to appease her. The evil sheriff (Hector) was happy to oblige. Overall it was an array of costumes and dialogue to enhance the senses.



Chet as Robin Hood and Nick as Friar Tuck

Mary's Schoolhouse Students:

How did the big dipper get in the sky? The Cheyenne Indians have a legend. Elementary and Middle school put this legend into a skit (skit written by Lacey).

The entire class designed and made their own costumes. The story was excellently presented. The Cheyenne girl and North Star were both performed by our aspiring actress, Natalie. Courtney played her mother and one of her brothers. Kirsten narrated and Daniel was the Big Buffalo. Everyone participated either in the performance or in building props. The main props were designed and built by Uri and Daryan. This lovely story truly touched the audience.

Abby Rose recited a lovely Winter Poem while decked out as a snowman. Jessica, dressed as an elf, was at her best with her North Pole poem.

CALENDAR

What?	Where?	When?
School Opens	School	1/2
Printing Press	Glendale	1/11
Study Tech Presentation	School	1/17
Martin Luther Kings Jr.	Closed	1/21

Leadership Awards

Every year Shuttleworth Leadership Society Int'l (SLSI) gives three awards to incredible people who are inspiring youth by giving them the values, skills, opportunities and confidence to become leaders. Our Holiday Show and Awards Ceremony at the Celebrity Centre Garden Pavilion, was over the top and here are three of the reasons why!

Nguyen Huu Chanh
Former Prime Minister of the
Government of Free Vietnam

This man came to America as a refugee from Vietnam. Originally an engineer by profession, his dedication to the Vietnamese community in the US and back home, led him to involvement with youth of the Asian communities. He now devotes his energy to the organizations he founded for youth, as well as an organization that rescues women and girls--trafficking victims--from brothels in Asia, the US and around the world. His courage and care for people and youth in particular, in the face of rugged circumstances, earned him the SLSI Leadership Award.

Edward Moreno
Retired Principal and
Community Activist

Ed's work has opened doors for young people, who might have had little hope, to achieve their goals. He has helped develop an important Charter School where single mothers and their children can live in low income apartments attached to the school while completing their college degrees to become better able to support their children. The school has an experiential, hands-on approach to learning in a nurturing environment. Ed promotes "youth leadership through service" using his roles as a Rotarian, an active member of Catholic Charities, an Advisory Board member of The MUSIC Foundation and other stellar groups.

Alexis Matthes
SLSI Youth Leadership Award Winner

This year we have a teen who has proven herself an irresistible candidate. Alexis, an alumna of Shuttleworth Academy, has devoted thousands of hours of volunteer work to help her peers (and adults) learn their human rights. She is a top-ranked gymnast who has shared her skills by voluntarily teaching young children week in and week out, spreading her infectious passion for strength, discipline and fitness. Now, while preparing for medical school, she works in an organization that exposes the abuses of psychiatry, continuing her work to make a just and safe world for the youth of her generation, as well as for future generations.



Daryan inspects the engine.

YESS!

Youth Excelling in Spirit of Service

CHICKS, BEES and TREES!

Yes, we do mean chicks, bees and trees! Students did a bake sale to raise money to send chicks and bees to families in developing countries. The flocks of chickens and hives of bees will provide new business opportunities for those families.

They also raised enough money to sponsor the planting of a grove of five trees! Thanks to all our students, staff and donors who made this project such a success. You helped put smiles on faces. Isn't that what the holiday spirit is all about? Thank you once again!

Volunteers Needed!

Volunteers needed with our school library project. Please contact the office if you are able to help.

Thank you!

Thanks to Jennifer Avner and Tim Cummings for volunteering your valuable time. Your help is very much appreciated!

Thank you Goldie Goldwasser for our wonderful new hamster cage. The students will have many moments of enjoyment with their new hamsters!

Thanks to our team of students and volunteers who helped with our successful toy drive!

**Here's wishing you all a
HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

The world is our classroom!

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